

In the Abstract:

Please replace the Abstract, appearing at the bottom of the Page 1, with the following amended Abstract:

A cuff (5) for medical applications, which ~~that~~ may be sewn, glued or frictionally fitted in place. ~~The ; the~~ cuff is made of a flexible openwork structure of a medically acceptable metal such as titanium or a titanium alloy and ~~may be knitted, woven, or have a chain-mail structure or be a thin flexible perforated plate ; the flexible openwork structure may be e.g.~~ manufactured from wire using a knitting, weaving or chainmail type structure.